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FOR: RENEGHAN IN HONG KONG  
FOR: CUSTOMS TEAM LEADER MONROE IN SINGAPORE

1. THIS MESSAGE OUTLINES INTERAGENCY UNDERSTANDINGS CONCERNING THE TRAINING PROGRAM RECENTLY PROPOSED BY DEA AND U.S. CUSTOMS, FOR OFFICERS FROM ISLANDS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC REGION. THE FOLLOWING POINTS WERE DISCUSSED AND

AGREED TO BY REPRESENTATIVES OF S/NM, DEA AND CUSTOMS.

2. THE TRAINING PROPOSED (REFTELS A, B) TO BE CONDUCTED IN NEW ZEALAND FOR 20 CUSTOMS AND POLICE OFFICERS FROM SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM STATES AND FOR A SIMILAR NUMBER OF NEW ZEALAND OFFICERS HAS BEEN APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF CUSTOMS AND DEA REIMBURSEABLE BUDGETS FOR FY 1979. CUSTOMS AND DEA WILL MARK OUT THE DETAILS OF THE TRAINING BASED UPON FINAL MAKEUP OF THE PARTICIPANTS.

3. SEPARATE FROM, AND ALSO APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE, IS THE JOINT U.S.-AUSTRALIAN TRAINING PROGRAM SUGGESTED IN REFTEL C. THIS PROGRAM WOULD BE FOR THE 20-30 CUSTOMS OFFICERS FROM THE MELENESIA TERRITORIES AND WOULD BE CONDUCTED AT A CENTRAL LOCATION, POSSIBLY PORT MORESBY, BY A JOINT TEAM OF U.S. AND AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS OFFICERS. A U.S. CUSTOMS OFFICER WILL BE VISITING AUSTRALIA AND PAPA NEW GUINEA TO DISCUSS DETAILS DURING EARLY AUGUST. DEA HAS SUGGESTED THAT HE STOP IN MANILA, IF POSSIBLE, TO REVIEW COMPREHENSIVE FILES ON THE ISLANDS DEVELOPED BY S/A MANSON.

4. ALL WASHINGTON AGENCIES APPRECIATIVE OF NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN COMMITMENT OF RESOURCES FOR THESE PROGRAMS. CHRISTOPHER  
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